## **Explanation of Health Care Abbreviations and Acronyms**

**ADA** American Dental Association American Medical Association AMA **ANSI** American National Standards Institute **ASC** Accredited Standards Committee **CISO** Chief Information Security Officer **CMS** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services DHHS Department of Health and Human Services DSMO **Designated Standard Maintenance Organizations EDI** Electronic Data Information GHP Group Health Plan Health Care Financing Administration now called CMS (Centers for Medicare & **HCFA** Medicaid Services) HHS Health and Human Services IIHI Individually Identifiable Health Information NCPDP National Council for Prescription Drug Programs NCVHS National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics National Employer Identifier (EIN) NHPI National Health Plan Identifier National Individual Identifier NPI National Provider Identifier NPS National Provider System **NUBC** National Uniform Billing Committee **NUCC** National Uniform Claim Committee PHI Protected Health Information SDO Standard Development Organizations **SNIP** Standard National Implementation Process **TPA** Third Party Administrator **TPO** Treatment Payment Operations **UHI** Unique Health Identifier

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